

DOCTOR'S CHARGES REOPEN PROBE OF CORONER SYSTEM.

Physician Under Arrest Said to
Have Made "Confession"
to Wallstein.

MAY QUIZ OFFICIALS.

Woman Traps Medical Man
With Marked Money, Posing
as Patient.

Commissioner of Accounts Wallstein estimated to-day that the public investigation of the Board of Coroners may be renewed, as a result of a "confession" alleged to have been made to him, last night, by David I. Hoag, a negro physician, who was arrested at his office, No. 101 West One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street, charged with selling medicine to a woman to produce a criminal result.

From an authoritative source close to the Commissioner, it was learned several coroners and coroner's physicians will be questioned on allegations said to have been made by the negro physician. The charges, it is said, may lead to criminal prosecution.

The interview was entirely satisfactory, and will be of distinct value to the investigation, "as far as Commissioner Wallstein would go in giving out an official statement regarding his grilling of Dr. Hoag last night. Wallstein denied a published report that City Chamberlain Bruere was present when the negro was questioned at the West One Hundred and Twenty-third Street Police Station.

The previous career of Dr. Hoag held matters which were of interest to me in the investigation of the coroners' office," Wallstein explained to-day. "This was true particularly with reference to a prior arrest of his on a charge of having performed a criminal operation. Upon notification of his arrest, I went to the station house, accompanied by Justice William L. Ransom of the City Court, and Neal D. Becker, where we questioned the prisoner."

The arrest of Dr. Hoag last night was the first resulting from the probe by the Commissioner of Accounts. Hoag was arrested by Detective Charles A. Crescenz of the Central Office, assisted by Harry A. Tattlebaum and Miss Ethel Reed, of the Department of Correction.

Miss Reed, according to the statements of the police, went to Hoag's office and gave him a marked \$5 bill for pills. She left with the medicine and Dr. Hoag's arrest followed. Drugs and a blackjack were found by the police in a search of the apartment.

When Dr. Hoag, freshly attired in a Persian lamb overcoat, appeared before Magistrate McGuire in the Harlem Police Court charged with malpractice and having drugs in his possession, he asked for an adjournment of the case until Wednesday night. This was granted and he was held in \$2,000 bail.

SHE WANTS 1,000 TONS OF TOBACCO FOR MEN IN WAR.



MRS. CLARA WASHINGTON
LOPP

Mrs. Clara Washington Lopp, formerly connected with the American Hospital in Paris, and who, with her husband, was at the front with the French army, is in this country trying to raise 1,000 tons of tobacco, in the shape of cigars, cigarettes and plain tobacco, for the soldiers and the wounded in France and Belgium.

Mrs. Lopp has just returned from Washington, where she saw a number of Ambassadors, who she declares all commended her project.

The cigars, cigarettes and tobacco will be distributed by the Matin and Figaro, Paris newspaper. Mrs. Lopp is at the Hotel Belvedere, Broadway and Seventy-seventh Street, where she said yesterday that in talking with the soldiers at the front they told her of the lack of tobacco, pipes, cigars and cigarettes, especially the latter, "and," she declared, "it was the same story all along the line."

WOMAN TAKES HANDFUL OF MERCURY TABLETS

Refused to Accept Medical Attention
and Is Taken to Hospital,
a Prisoner.

Nearly a handful of bichloride of mercury tablets were taken by Mrs. Lena Feinberg of No. 411 East One Hundred and Seventy-third Street early to-day, if her statement made to Dr. J. L. Rubenstein of No. 1667 Washington Avenue is correct. The woman is in a critical condition.

She and her husband, Isaac, she told Policeman Traynor, had a disagreement, and about 1 o'clock this morning she informed her husband that she had taken the poison. He summoned Dr. Rubenstein, but she refused to allow him to treat her, so her husband summoned Policeman Traynor and asked him to get an ambulance. Dr. Sokol came from Fordham Hospital, and after treating Mrs. Feinberg removed her to that institution. She is charged with attempted suicide.

WIVES OF MINERS TOUCH HEART OF MRS. HARRIMAN

With Daughter She Visits Site
of Famous Colorado Tent
Colony at Ludlow.

TRINIDAD, Col., Dec. 11.—Mrs. J. Borden Harriman of New York and Washington, social leader and a member of the Federal Commission on Industrial Relations, spent yesterday in the Colorado strike zone, and trod upon ground that a few months ago was covered with the blood of strikers and militiamen.

She returned here last night and said she was tired, but had been greatly enlightened by the things seen and heard on her trip. Mrs. Harriman, accompanied by her daughter, went over practically the ground covered last Sunday by Chairman Walsh of the Industrial Commission when he made a flying trip down here to acquaint himself with the geography and people of the district. But she made her investigation along lines somewhat different from his. Instead of seeking statistics, she searched for "the human side."

Arriving here early yesterday in their auto, the Harrimans went to the Toltec Hotel. There Mrs. Harriman got into communication with Col. I. Lockett, commander of the Eleventh United States Cavalry, on patrol in this district.

WAS PERMITTED TO GO WHERE- EVER SHE PLEASED.

Col. Lockett gave her information as to the location of camps and arranged for the military to see that she was permitted to go wherever she desired.

Mrs. Harriman went first to the Ludlow tent colony and then over the site of the old colony, which was wiped out by fire in the battle of April 20, when more than twenty men, women and children were killed. She seemed to be particularly interested in the housing and cooking arrangements for the strikers and inspected several tents, paying special attention to the kitchens. She asked pertinent questions of women of the colony.

"This has been one of the most interesting days of my life and I have learned some things about the human heart that never were revealed to me before," she said at her hotel to-night. "My heart goes out to some of those poor women who have been compelled to undergo the hardships of cold and suffering. I imagine that their lives in the days of the strike must have been full of terror."

LEARNED MORE FROM WOMEN THAN FROM MEN.

"I shall not discuss my findings in detail, but I believe the women I met told me things that no man could ever have learned from them. They have suffered greatly and the most surprising thing of all is the courage and endurance they show."

In addition to Ludlow, Mrs. Harriman motored through the camps of Primerio, Empire, Herwind and Tabasco. She arrived here at a particularly acute time, for the strike was declared off yesterday, and there was agitation among the "excitable foreigners. Mass meetings were held in several places and there were groups of men at almost every camp. Mrs. Harriman visited. Scores of men applied for work at the mines but there were no places for them, and this added greatly to their excitement. But there was no disorder. At dinner time last night Mrs. Harriman had not decided definitely whether she would return to Denver or remain in the strike district another day. She said there were several other places she desired to visit.

BIG ARMY RESERVE NEEDED, SAYS WEEKS

Senator Would Have Young Men
Given Regular Army Training
as Preparedness for War.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—Declaring that there has been too much publicity of military affairs of the nation, Senator Weeks of Massachusetts in a speech in the Senate to-day opposed agitation for special investigation of military preparedness, praised the strength and personnel of the navy and urged the organization of an army reserve.

Through a reserve system Senator Weeks maintained that a much larger trained army could be maintained at less expense than a permanent standing army now.

"I believe," said the Senator, "that laws should be passed at once which will reorganize the regular army. This reorganization should give to the mobile army the proper proportion of infantry, field artillery, cavalry, engineers, signal, sanitary troops and the necessary support and supply trains, and provide for properly equipped depots."

"The law must provide that the men serve the shortest time with the colors necessary to train them as soldiers, and then pass them as soon as trained to reserve, an dthet while serving in this reserve the men must be paid. Make the enlistment age eighteen to twenty-one, with consent of parents, and twenty-five as limit for first enlistment."

THINK FEDERAL AID TO FARMERS UNJUSTIFIED

Secretary of Agriculture Houston
Blames South for Growing
Unversified Crops.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—In his annual report Secretary Houston of the Department of Agriculture gives the opinion that no emergency exists which justifies assistance to farmers directly through the use of Government cash or credit, and says the new Banking Law takes just and particular knowledge of the farmers' requirements. He asks Congress, however, for an emergency appropriation of several million dollars on account of the hoof and mouth disease.

"The wheat crop of 1914, approximately \$22,000,000, is the largest in history, and those of oats, barley, rye, potatoes, tobacco and hay are unusually large. The cotton crop in October was estimated at 15,340,000 bales, the second largest; apples 22,000,000 barrels, the greatest ever harvested. The production of six leading cereals is estimated at 5,000,000,000 bushels, about 43,000,000 in excess of the 1913 crop."

There has been no substantial advance in corn in fifteen years, while in cattle, sheep and hogs there has been a decline, although the population has increased 20,000,000. In conclusion the Secretary says: "If farmers in the South had heretofore practiced diversification on a sufficiently large scale, producing their own home supplies, that section would not now be in present hard case. The experts of this department are laboring earnestly to bring about a better direction of the agricultural activities of the South."

NO EAR FOR CULTURE.

(From the Louisville Courier-Journal.)
"Polly wants a cracker," squawked the parrot.

"Is that all that bird can say?"

"Yes," answered the dealer, "and it's strange, too. It lived with a Boston family for years."



DETECTIVE AS TRAMP CATCHES DRUG SELLER

Policeman-Actor Traps Man He
Charged With Selling
Cocaine.

So many complaints have been received by Commissioner Wood about gangs of dealers in cocaine and heroin that he ordered the New York City Police to make a special detective to-day. Louis Noenich, dressed like a tramp, slunk along Grand Street and at Catherine Street leaped against a lamp-post and shuddered.

A well-dressed young man strolled past him but did not speak until Noenich gave an extra hard shudder.

"Do you need some more?" inquired the nice young man.

"I sure need a tottles," Noenich replied in a husky whisper.

"How much?"

"Two decks," he answered; whereupon the nice young man handed over two boxes of cocaine and said: "That'll be 75 cents."

Thereupon Noenich grabbed his arm and cried, "You're under arrest!"

The nice young man tried to choke him to death, and five or six young fellows ran up. Policeman Waitwood, who had been hiding, dashed across and the gang ran.

The prisoner, who said he was Fred Wiedman, twenty, of 535 Grand Street, Williamsburg, was held in \$500.

UNDERTAKER'S SHOT UP.

Bullet Nearly Hits Man-Suspect
Business Rivals.

George B. Ferrazzo is a successful east side undertaker, with shops at No. 121 Bleecker Street, No. 4 Roosevelt Street, Madison Street and Hoboken. He reported to the police to-day his Roosevelt Street place was shot up early Thursday morning and he thinks it might have been the outcome of jealousy, because he has been bothered recently by many fake funeral calls.

Two bullets were fired through the place's show window, one ruining a painting of Christ being lowered from the cross, and almost hitting Domenico Mazzeo, the night attendant.

"I don't know whether my business rivals are responsible for this," said Ferrazzo, "or whether it's a gunman who hangs around Roosevelt Street."

DESIGNER GOES TO ISLAND.

Stole From Employers to Help
His Private Business.

Louis J. Schaeffer of Bath Beach, who was convicted in the Court of Special Sessions a week ago of stealing a piece of velvet worth 20 cents from the Glina B. Smith Company, notions, at No. 6 Greene Street, was to-day sentenced to the penitentiary for three months by Justice McInerney, Zeller and Forker.

Schaeffer, who for the last six years was a confidential employee of the Smith Company, sold the firm's exclusive patterns to business rivals. A probation officer reported to the Justice that Schaeffer owned a third interest in a rival firm, which was run by Schaeffer with the patterns of the Smith Company.

A SPECIALIST.

(From the Birmingham Age-Herald.)
"Do you see that fellow in the striped suit and the green hat?"

"Oh, yes."

"He's a moving picture actor and draws an enormous salary, although the part he plays never takes longer than a few seconds."

"You surprise me. Explain."

"Well, you see, whenever the hero is supposed to jump off a bridge 125 feet high, this fellow takes his place and does it."

MILLS FINDS MILITIA OF STATES DEFICIENT

Many of the National Guard Organ-
izations of No Value as a Fighting
Asset to Nation.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—"In no State is the prescribed minimum peace strength of all organizations of the organized militia maintained and in many instances the deficiency has reached such a figure as to leave the corresponding organizations such in name only—organizations of no value as a military asset to the Federal Government." This is the way Brig. Gen. A. L. Mills, Chief of the Division of Militia Affairs of the War Department, characterizes the citizen soldiery of the country in his annual report to-day.

Gen. Mills points out that his criticism is entirely impersonal and is made "for the sole purpose of setting forth an accurate statement of existing conditions with the view and in the hope of leading to a needed reformation." One method of providing this reform is to be found, in Gen. Mills' opinion, in the passage of a bill for the compensation of the militia by the Federal Government.

At 68 She Sues Her Husband.
Mrs. Frances O'Reilly, sixty-eight, of No. 5103 Fifth Avenue, Brooklyn, applied yesterday to Supreme Court Justice Clark of that borough for alimony and counsel fees in her suit against Dennis O'Reilly, seventy-four, to whom she was married in 1898. Mrs. O'Reilly alleged that her husband, a commission merchant, has ill-treated her lately. He denies it. Decision was reserved.

Mrs. Alfred Vanderbilt Returns.
Mrs. Alfred Vanderbilt and her children, Alfred Jr. and George, arrived here yesterday from Sagamore Lodge, in the Adirondacks, and are occupying their apartment at the Vanderbilt, where they will be joined to-day by Mr. Vanderbilt.

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NEWARK, N. J.

Ammons Asks Wilson to Delay the
Withdrawal of Troops.

DENVER, Dec. 11.—Gov. Ammons yesterday telegraphed to President Wilson that the State of Colorado is not yet ready to reassert its sovereignty in the coal strike districts. He asked the President not to withdraw the Federal troops until it appears certain that there will not be individual acts of violence.

"No date has been fixed for the removal of the Federal troops, as has been reported frequently," said Gov. Ammons. "It is not probable they will be removed immediately. When they are started out of the State they will be taken out gradually."

CUTS OUT WORD "CONVICT."

Prisoners Also Allowed to Grow
Full Crop of Hair and Mustaches.

HARTFORD, Dec. 11.—The word "convict," referring to prisoners, is no longer in use at the Connecticut State Prison. This is one of a number of changes in the rules and regulations of the institution made recently by Warden Ward A. Garner, and which the Warden says have had a beneficial effect on the prisoners. Instead of "convict" is used "inmate" or "prisoner." "Convict" the Warden says, "grates on a man with brutal force," and therefore has forbidden its use. Prisoners are now allowed to converse freely at meals so long as they observe order.

Other changes include the disarming of the inside guards, only those on the outer walls now carrying arms, and abolishment of the custom of close cutting of prisoners' hair. First grade men are now allowed to grow beards.

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